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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFCICER OF HEALTH FOR THE YEAR 1956.

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Tc the Chairman and Members cf the Ccuncil,

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

I beg tc submit the Annual Repcrt fcr the year 1956.

V I T A L S T A T I S T I C S

Resident Pcpulaticn (Registrar General's Estimate)....1956....

.....8,970.....

	Cemaes R.D. 1956	Cemaes R.D. 1955	Ccunty cf Pembrcke	England & Wales
Birth rate (per 1,000 pcp.)	14.7	14.8	16.3	15.7
Death rate (per 1,000 pcp.)	15.5	14.4	11.34	11.7.
Infant Mcrtality Rate (per 1,000 live births)	15.0	22.3	32.5	23.8

Live Births

	Male	Female	Tctal
Legitimate	67	58	125
Illegitimate	2	6	8
Tctal	69	64	133

Still Births

	Male	Female	Tctal
Legitimate	1	1	2
Illegitimate	-	-	-
Tctal	1	1	2

Causes cf death

	Male	Female
TOTAL (All causes)	75	65
Malignant necplasm cf stcmach	6	3
Malignant necplasm cf lung, brcnchus	2	-
Malignant necplasm cf uterus	-	2
Other malignant diseases	10	7
Diabetes	-	1
Vascular lesicns cf nervcus system	14	14
Ccrcnary disease, angina	17	11
Hypertensicn with heart disease,	3	-

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	Male	Female
Other heart disease	3	11
Other circulatory disease	2	5
Influenza	1	1
Pneumonia	1	1
Bronchitis	2	-
Nephritis and nephrosis	1	-
Hyperplasia of prostate	4	-
Congenital malformations	-	1
Other defined and ill-defined diseases	7	5
Motor Vehicle Accidents	1	-
All other accidents	-	3
Suicide	1	-

The birth rate remains practically the same as for 1955 but the infant mortality rate once more shows a decrease. There were 2 infant deaths under one year of age, 1 at four days due to intra-cerebral haemorrhage, and 1 at one month due to spina bifida and paraplegia.

The death rate shows a slight increase. Approximately 62.85% of the total number of deaths occurred in persons over 70 years of age, and of those, 23.6% were persons aged over 80 years.

NOTIFICATIONS OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Scarlet Fever	91	Whooping Cough	41
Measles	58	Dysentery	4
Polio-myelitis	1		

TUBERCULOSIS

There were 8 cases of pulmonary tuberculosis notified during the year and two which were transferred from another district. Two of these cases were admitted to hospital.

PREVENTION OF TUBERCULOSIS.

B.C.G. Vaccination.

The B.C.G. Vaccination of school leavers has now been carried out in this district since the autumn term in 1955, and during 1956, pupils who were thirteen years of age or over, whose parents gave consent, were skin tested and when necessary vaccinated.

Mass Radiography

The Mobile Unit of the Mass Radiography Service visited the county during the year and inhabitants of this area had the opportunity of being X-rayed at either Crymmych or Newport.

CRYMMYCH		Grand Total	Male	Female
Total no. examined		149	83	66
No. found to be abnormal	16.78%	25	14	11
Requiring further observation	2.69%	4	3	1
Other abnormalities of chest	14.09%	21	11	10

NEWPORT		Grand Total	Male	Female
Total no. examined		115	50	65
No. found to be abnormal	4.35%	5	4	1
Requiring further observation	1.74%	2	1	1
Other abnormalities of chest	2.61%	3	3	nil

LOCAL HEALTH SERVICE ACT 1946.

LOCAL HEALTH SERVICES

Vaccination against Smallpox

Free vaccination against smallpox is offered to all babies and any other person for whom it may be advisable. This is carried out by the local practitioners, who are paid by the County Council for notifications of either successful vaccination or failure after the second attempt. Records were received this year of 43 primary and 8 secondary vaccinations.

Vaccination against Polio-myelitis

Vaccination against polio-myelitis was commenced in 1956 and children born between 1947 and 1954 and in certain months, were eligible for vaccination. At the request of the Ministry of Health, this work had to be completed by the end of June.

Immunisation against Diphtheria

This is also carried out by the local practitioners who are paid by the County Council on receipt by your Medical Officer of the record cards. Records were received this year of the immunisation of 70 children, and 62 were given reinforcing injections.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT 1946.

Removal to suitable premises of persons in need of care and attention.

No action was necessary under this section.

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient servant,

PHYLLIS M. BOWEN. M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H., D.C.H.

REPORT OF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR FOR THE YEAR 1956

WATER SUPPLY

The number of houses and other properties supplied with water from the Council's mains at the end of 1956 was:-

Parish	No. of Properties connected
Bayvil	10
Bridell	22
Capel Colman	23
Castellan	32
Cilgerran	193
Cilrhedyn West	-
Clydey	-
Dinas Cross	184
Eglwyswrw	39
Llanfihangel Pendedw	31
Llanfyrnach	203
Llantood	5
Llanychlwydog	5
Llanfair Nantgwyn	19
Manordeifi	63
Meline	16
Monington	-
Moylegrove	25
Nevern	48
Newport	449
Penrith	11
St. Dogmael's	333
Whitechurch	11

Water samples sent for bacteriological examination:-

Public Supply		Private Supply	
Number taken	21	Number taken	5
Satisfactory	19	Satisfactory	3
Unsatisfactory	2	Unsatisfactory	2

HOUSING

(a) Council Houses

No houses were completed during the year; 27 were under construction.

10 at St. Dogmael's
8 at Dinas Cross
7 at Newport
2 at Tegryn

The Council have 120 houses occupied.

(b) Private Dwellings

11 bungalows and 3 houses were erected and occupied by private enterprise.

10 dwellings are under construction.

INSPECTION OF DWELLING HOUSES DURING THE YEAR.

Total no. of dwelling houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts).	-	21
No. of dwelling houses inspected and recorded under the Housing (Consolidated) Regulations 1925 & 1932 included in previous column.	-	21
No. of dwelling houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation.	-	5
No. of dwelling houses found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation. (exclusive of those in previous column)	-	4
No. of defective dwelling houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the local authority or their officers.	-	nil

ACTION UNDER STATUTORY POWERS DURING YEAR

Housing Act, 1936. Sections 9,10, & 16.

No. of dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs.	-	nil
No. of dwelling houses rendered fit after service of formal notices.(By Owners)	-	nil

Public Health Acts.

No. of dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied.	-	nil
No. of dwelling houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices.(By Owners)	-	nil

Housing Act, 1936. Sections 11 & 13.

No. of dwelling houses in respect of which demolition orders were made.	-	5
No. of dwelling houses demolished in persuance of demolition orders.	-	nil
	(Undertakings received from Owners not to occupy)	

Housing Act, 1936. Section 12.

No. of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which closing orders were made.	-	nil

HOUSING ACT. 1936. PART IV.- OVERCROWDING

No. of dwelling houses overcrowded at end of year.	-	1
No. of families dwelling therein.	-	1
No. of persons dwelling therein.	-	6
No. of new cases of overcrowding reported during year.	-	1
No. of cases of overcrowding relieved during year.	-	nil
No. of persons concerned in such cases.	-	nil

SANITARY INSPECTION

No. of complaints received.	-	17
No. of defects or nuisances discovered.	-	8

Summary of Inspections.

Dwelling Houses:-

No. of inspections arising from housing applications.	-	29
No. of inspections under Housing Act, 1936.	-	31
No. of inspections in connection with Improvement Grants.	-	62
No. of inspections under Public Health Act.	-	11
Drainage	-	49
Infectious disease Enquiries and Disinfections	-	8
Tents, Vans, Sheds etc.	-	15
Schools	-	63
Factories (including bakehouses)	-	31
Shops (including ice-cream premises)	-	15
Refuse disposal	-	17
Water supplies	-	22
Miscellaneous	-	41

No. of notices served.

Preliminary:	Housing	nil
	Other	nil
Statutory:	Housing	nil
	Other	nil

Summary Action.

Summonses issued	nil
Convictions obtained	nil

MILK AND DAIRIES ORDERS

No. of registered retailers	-	7
No. of inspections	-	28

Milk Samples

Satisfactory 10 Unsatisfactory nil

Dairymen

Licensed to use the designation Tuberculin Tested. 7

Ice Cream

No. of samples taken - 3

CONDEMNED FOOD

During the year it was found necessary to condemn :-

108 tons potatoes
64 lbs. home killed beef
36 lbs. tinned food

FACTORIES ACTS, 1937 & 1948

Premises	No. on Register	Inspections	Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
(1) Factories in which sections 1,2, 3,4, & 6 are to be enforced by Local Authority.	nil	18	nil	nil
(2) Factories not included in (1) in which section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority.	nil	nil	nil	nil
(3) Other premises in which section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding outworkers' premises).	nil	nil	nil	nil
TOTAL	nil	18	nil	nil

T.L. BOWEN

PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

1st. November 1957.

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